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In re application of

Denys SOURNAC et al.

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VERTEBRAL OSTEOSYNTHESIS EQUIPMENT

**CONFIRMATION OF FILING OF ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF PRIOR  
PROVISIONAL APPLICATION AND STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.78(A) (5)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In order to perfect applicant's claim for priority under 37 USC §119(e), the undersigned confirms that the requisite accurate English translation and statement have been submitted on even date herewith in provisional Application No. 60/554,415, which was originally filed in the French language.

Respectfully submitted,

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